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## **MINUTES**

DATE/TIME:

May 15, 2019

9:30 a.m.

PRESENT:

Clay Uzell, President

Mel Baher, Vice President Christopher Grau, Secretary Frank Pocci, Commissioner Bob Potts, Commissioner Jon Reiss, Executive Director Mary Kitko, Executive Secretary

Brian Gutkoski, Asst. County Prosecutor

**EXCUSED:** 

VISITORS:

None.

PURPOSE:

GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Clay Uzell followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Mel Baher and seconded by Frank Pocci to dispense with the reading of the Consent Agenda and to accept the agenda with the necessary corrections and/or additions. (All Commissioners have a copy of the minutes).

AYES: Baher, Grau, Pocci, Potts, Uzell. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

### STATE OF THE COMMISSION AND FINANCE REPORT (Attached)

A motion was made by Mel Baher and seconded by Frank Pocci to accept the report of the Executive Director, as given.

AYES: Baher, Grau, Pocci, Potts, Uzell. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Action Items - Set aside.

The Board has extended the trial period for ten (10) hour working days through December 2019 to better serve veteran clients. The schedule will be re-evaluated at that time.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Resolution 2019-09, a D-Day ad with Advance Ohio has been removed. The Executive Director will not proceed with the D-Day advertising campaign.

Interviews for Financial Operations Manager were conducted in Executive Session.

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER:

The American Legion District meeting is on Sunday, June 2, 2019 at the American Legion Post located at 19944 Sheldon Rd., Brook Park, Ohio. ID cards will be issued at this event.

Bill Sink will be contacted to confirm dates for events at the USS Cod.

The Under Secretary of the Navy will be in Cleveland on June 6, 2019. Details to follow.

Brian Gutkoski announced Dale Pecosi, from the Prosecutor's Office, passed away.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

A motion was made by Mel Baher and seconded by Bob Potts to go into Executive Session to interview candidates for the Financial Operations Manager position.

AYES: Baher, Grau, Pocci, Potts, Uzell. NAYS: None. Motion carried. (9:55 a.m.)

The Board came out of Executive Session and returned to the regular order of business at 12:07 p.m.

In Executive Session the Board interviewed four (4) candidates for the position of Financial Operations Manager.

A motion was made by Frank Pocci and seconded by Mel Baher to select Larry Amato for the position of Financial Operations Manager, effective May 15, 2019. This position will be a lateral move during the probationary period of 90 days.

AYES: Baher, Grau, Pocci, Potts, Uzell. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Frank Pocci and seconded by Chris Grau to select Feronne Williams for the position of Administrative Coordinator, effective May 15, 2019. This position will be a lateral move during the probationary period of 90 days.

AYES: Baher, Grau, Pocci, Potts, Uzell. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

With no further business, a motion was made by Frank Pocci and seconded by Chris Grau to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

AYES: Baher, Grau, Pocci, Potts, Uzell. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Clay Uzell, President

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## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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Vacant

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Mary Kitko, Secretary to the Board (216-698-2652) Commissioners: